

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
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ALL COUNTY INFORMATION NOTICE I-47-79

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: TITLE XX TRAINING FUNDS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

REFERENCE:

The California Department of Social Services has invited eligible educational institutions to submit proposals for training funds under Title XX of the Social Security Act.

The social Services programs carried out by the county welfare departments under this act are critical to the well being of many Californians. It is my belief that by successfully meeting the training needs of social work staff, we will be taking significant steps toward improving the quality of the services we provide. Through this solicitation, it is the department's goal to provide all county welfare departments with access to university resources which can effectively assist you in meeting Title XX training needs.


I would like to emphasize two aspects of the process. First, the process described in the RFP is designed to provide the framework for universities and county welfare departments to cooperatively develop training programs. You will note the process requires consultation with county welfare departments and your approval of any programs which involve your staff. Secondly, the process of making university resources available to you is designed to fit into current systems of providing staff development and reinforces the role of the local staff development officer in needs assessment, program planning, and program evaluation.

In addition to the identified statewide training needs of the staff of county welfare departments, there are three major program areas that need to be addressed: Foster Care, Child Care and In-Home Supportive Services. The department intends to solicit proposals to meet the training needs of service providers in these major programs through a separate process. The department will be sending out an additional invitation for proposals to cover these areas in approximately 30 days.

A copy of the RFP is being sent to county welfare directors under separate cover. Those desiring an informational copy of the solicitation may receive one by calling Bruce Kennedy at (916) 445-7835.

I am personally excited by this program and its potential for improving our organizations and the quality of our service. If you have any further questions, please call Al Colon at (916) 322-0181.

Sincerely,


WARREN J. WOODS
Director

cc: Staff Development Officers
CWDA